THE DAILY INDEPENDENT.

VOL. 5, NO. 20 — MONESSEN, PA., WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 1906. — SIX CENTS THE WEEK

NEW CHAMPS WERE BEATEN.

Loose Their First League Game to the Leaders on Belle Vernon Grounds.

McKeans new base ball tossers were made to bite dust on their home grounds yesterday by Lindsay's Leaders who scored six times to once for the ex-Independents. Much interest was centered on this contest and a large crowd of fans from all of the Valley League towns were present to see the West Newton boys play their first game in the uniforms of the Champs.

Among the spectators were nearly all of the players from the different league teams including Monessen, and California, the game which was scheduled to take place between those teams having been called off.

The boys from the-other-river went into the game resolved to add still another to their already long string of victories, but it was not destined so to be. Although they put up a much better game than the final score would suggest at first glance the Charleroites were successful in tacking "finis" to their winning streak. Up until the ninth inning the score stood 2 to 1 in favor of Charleroi but right there is where both Smith, the debuttantees twirler and his backers struck a snag and before they got things straightened the visitors had romped across the home plate four times being aided and abetted by two errors, two bases on balls and a hit.

McIlvain the long and lanky from Lindsay's camp was in the box for the winners and gave a superb exhibition of curve heaving. In only one inning, the fourth, were the batters anything like successful in finding his tooters.

McKenna the local cut fielder played field for Charleroi and put up an excellent game he having two of the five hits. But two of Belle Vernons old players were in the game. Ralston at second proved himself a star both at bat, and on the bases. Bell gave an exhibition of nerve in the sixth when he refused to retire after having been almost put out of business by being struck by a pitched ball.

Charleroi won the game in the fourth when a home run by Coulson scored the first two runs of the game.

Belle Vernon also succeeded in sending her first and only run over the p-n in this inning. The score.

Charleroi —	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Matthers, 2	0	0	2	3	0
McCleary, m	0	0	0	0	0
Harrel, s	2	2	3	3	0
Coulson, 1	2	1	1	0	0
McKenna, r	1	2	0	0	0
Harmuth, 3	1	0	1	0	0
Sprnger, 1	0	0	12	0	0
Fisher, c	0	0	8	1	0
McIlvain, p	0	0	0	2	0
Totals	6	5	27	9	0

Belle Vernon —	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Craig, 3-1	0	1	1	1	0
Cuneon, m	0	1	2	0	0
Ralston, 2	0	2	3	2	0
Street, c	0	0	7	2	0
Clark, 1-3	1	1	0	0	1
Reholt, e	0	0	1	2	0
Kistler, r	0	1	0	1	0
Bell, 1	0	0	13	0	1
Smith, p	0	0	0	5	1
Totals	1	6	27	13	3

Belle Vernon.....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1
Charleroi.....0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 4—6

Two-base hit—Clark. Home run—Coulson. Sacrifice hit — Harmuth. Stolen bases—Ralston, McCleary, McKenna, Harrel. Double plays—Reholt and Bell. Bases on balls — Off McIlvain, 1; off Smith, 5. Hit by pitched ball—Streets, Bell. First base on errors—Fisher, Harrel, Harmuth. Struck out—by McIlvain, 8; by Smith, 7. Left on bases — Belle Vernon, 3; Charleroi, 5. Passed balls—Fisher, Streets, (2); Time—1:40. Umpire—Evans.

READ THE "INDEPENDENT"

INTERESTING NEWS

Gathered by Our Reporters in Monessen and Vicinity.

Jos. Safier was in Pittsburg today on business.

50c Clothes dryers reduced to 10c, at R. S. Kelly's. 4t

Dr. Barben, Dentist — Office always open, never closed.

Harry Selkowitz of McKeesport spent a part of yesterday in town with friends.

Have an Orange Phosphate, you'll feel cooler 5 cents a glass at Kirk's Fountain.

F. R. Jones, the Donner avenue shoe man, spent the day in Pittsburg on business.

Toilet Witch Hazel, for toilet and bath 15 and 25 cents per bottle at Kirk's Drug Store.

Several persons of Charleroi have a camping ground near Point Marion called "The skidoo grounds."

Mrs. J. E. B. Cunningham, wife of the district attorney, is at the Westmoreland hospital suffering with typhoid fever.

See Light's window for a fine line of soaps for the bath, 5 and 10c.—Light's Drug store.

Mrs. G. A. Buch, of Mt. Washington, is visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Thos. Reaney of Schoonmaker avenue.

Oh! how good! A familiar expression at our fountain. Thatcher,s Drug Store 550 Donner avenue.

Alfred Barber, of Hazelwood, was in Monessen to-day transacting business and looking after his real estate at this place.

We know you enjoy every sip of every glass of soda water we serve you, at Kirk's Fountain.

Fred Smith, weigh master of the Rod department at the Pittsburg Steel, is spending three weeks vacation with his father at Johnstown.

We call your attention to our line of baby supplies. The most complete in the city. Kirk's Drug store.

John Allshouse of Delmont who was reported to have committed suicide on account of being cut out of his share of his brother's estate of $75 000, has turned up live.

When you drink, drink Light's soda water and be healthy, wealthy and wise—Light's Drug Store.

Leon Bostedor and wife arrived home yesterday afternoon from Grass Lake, Michigan, where they spent a honeymoon trip of three weeks. The newly married couple will go to housekeeping at once in Monessen.

Friends, Romans and countrymen—When you buy goods from Light you get a guarantee—Light's Drug Store.

Tomorrow will be the big day at Greensburg and hundreds of strangers will be in the town to participate in the in the days program. A number of Monessen men have business in the county seat and may incidentally call at the grounds.

We intend that our store shall become more and more a credit to the city. Thatcher's Drug Store, 550 Donner avenue.

A fellow who claims to have been the founder of the slang word "skidoo" landed in Cleveland police station for drunkenness a few days ago The magistrate said he deserved a year at hard labor for inventing the word, but as it was his first offence on both charges he would release him.

We have $550 to loan on first mortgage on Monessen property, also $400 on terms to suit the borrower. Inquire of Steen & Dils, People's Bank Building. 5t

H. H. Ryde, chief engineer at the Page Woven Wire Fence Co., will leave July 26 for N. Y. from where July 28 he will sail abroad the steamer Rosiland for Newfoundland stopping off at Novia Scotia both going and on the return trip. He will be gone about two weeks. Mrs Ryde will spend the time with relatives at Adrain, Mich.

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TWO CITIZENS "WENT OVER."

Will be Guests of Sheriff for Ninety Days. Constable Watt Made Charge.

Two well known charactors and bad citizens got in the toils last night and as the result will be the guests of high Sheriff George Seanor for a period of ninety days.

The two individuals referred to are "Bill" Bennett and Teddy Karrel. "Bill" just arrived in Monessen a few days ago after serving time and had resolved to do better. He shook hands with his chums upon his arrival in town and declared his intentions of mending his ways and in the future to live a better life. Last night though, he broke his resolution when he met his old friend and comrade Teddy Karrel. It seems the two got mixed up in an old time discussion and got a few too many past and later on an argument got the best of friendship.

Constable Watt then made information against both parties for disorderly conduct. They were placed in the borough jail all night and this morning given a hearing before Squire Watkins. They were sentenced to pay a fine of $8.00 and costs or ninety days. They took the latter and were taken to Greensburg at once.

Robbed and Killed.

The shifting crew of the Youghiogheny branch of the Pennsylvania railroad at 2.30 o'clock this morning found John Seposki of Rillton in the tunnel west of Irwin. He had been run over by a train and both legs had been cut off He was brought to the Westmoreland hospital, dying at noon.

Seposki made an ante-mortem statement to the hospital authorities, in which he said he had been held up and robbed while on his way home from Irwin. He was beaten into insensibility and left on the tracks. He was 26 years old.

Fire Destroys Big Tipple.

Fire of mysterious origin started at 12:15 o'clock this morning in the tipple of the No. 4 plant at Crabtree. The tipple, washery, oil house, fan house and blacksmith shop were destroyed. The loss is $75,000 covered by insurance Hard work by 200 miners saved the boilers and haulage engine house, the stables and some of the larger bins. Two hundred and fifty men have been thrown out of employment. The plant will be immediately reconstructed, but the loss resultant from the enforced shutdown will be enormous. Many of the men will be given employment at the other plants of the company. The plant was recently purchased from the Alexander Coal Company and $50,000 had been spent in new machinery, a great part of which was destroyed.

This Fellow Stuffed.

Jefferson McMicheals of Sharon, charged with fraud and stuffing the ballot box at the last republican primaries, has been indicted by the Mercer county grand jury. Thirteen witnesses testified that they had voted for Charles Runningbrew for assembly, and only seven votes were recorded on the tally sheet. McMicheals was judge of election in the precinct where the alleged stuffing of the ballot box occurred.

A Card of Thanks.

Mrs. Conrad Schalk desires through these columns to thank all who so kindly rendered assistance during her recent bereavement in the loss of her little boy "Jim" Riley, who was killed on the railroad. Mrs. Schalk extends thanks to neighbors and friends alike and to the members of the Tribe of Ben Hur. Also to the many little comrades of the child and to the Pittsburg Brewing company for the beautiful floral offerings.

It Still Continues.

The clearance sale which is going on at Safiers Department store still continues with unusual success. All day Monday and Tuesday the store was filled with customers and today the crowd will probably be even larger as several special bargains are being offered.

WEBSTER NOTES.

A. A Perkins paid Monessen a business visit yesterday.

John Thomas went to Washington today to look after business of a legal nature.

The work of excavating for the remodeling of the Webster School building will soon be done. Actual construction of the two additional rooms will then begin and will be pushed along rapidly for occupancy as soon as the fall term begins. The Motz Lumber Co., has the contract for the building.

The town authorities have done a wise thing in overhauling the streets. Two car loads of slag have been received and is being put down for new sidewalks. Yesterday Anderson street came in for its share of improvement. This thoroughfare was in bad condition and during the winter became almost impassable. This winter we hope to have better streets.

The Dawson Ball Games.

Alva Cochran, who has just returned from a tour of the world, has taken an active interest in the Dawson base ball club. He has improved the grounds until there are none better in the state. Today and Thursday, July 18 and 19th, the Somerset champions will play the Dawson team.

STOLEN—From the stable of Andy Bergman, two miles east of Webster, dark bay mare, low heavy set, 5 years old, weighs about 11 hundred pounds, two hind feet white, stripe in forehead. A reward of $25 will be paid to the person returning the animal to the owner. A. Bergman.

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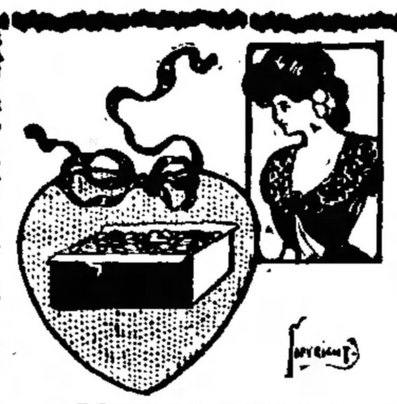

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CHICAGO highwaymen now travel in a tallyho. Why not make it a special train so a quorum could be present.

SECRETARY Arner reports the sanitary condition of the town perfect. Not one foul odor can be detected. How delightful.

IT may not be to the credit of mankind, but in this world no man is "given" a chance. If he wants a chance he has to throw it down and sit on its neck.

SINCE he first ran for the presidency Bryan has increased his wealth by $150,000, so it was better to have run and lost than never to have run at all.

THE president is to have $15,000 a year for traveling expenses. He may rest assured that he will receive the most kindly treatment at the hands of the porters.

WHILE the Rostraver township supervisors are dickering with the street car company for that extra haul of $5,000 for the franchise, they may get a damage suit that will cost more than $25,000. There are many ways of coining you know.

THE Thaw case has now reached the point where a difference is noticed in the newspaper headlines as to whether the prisoner takes one lump of sugar for his coffee or two and whether he breathed easy or hard and if his slumbers were disturbed by bad dreams. Oh, time works wonders you know.

ONE of the passengers on the Yosemite stage who was robbed of all his cash while slumbering was a bridegroom. It is said he felt his loss very keenly, but he won't mind a little thing like that after he has been married a few years. He will be accustomed to having his pockets picked.

DONORA and Monongahela have formed a combine and are going to demand good roads. In union there is strength and there is no doubt but what the efforts on the part of these two enterprising towns will be crowned with success. The citizens of both towns are workers and when they want anything they unite and work harmoniously for its accomplishment. That's just what Monessen should do in order to get good roads.

How the Burro Eats Thistles.

The Rocky mountain burro, one of the most sagacious of animals, seeks the thistle as a favorite food, and the pungent spines with which it protects its leaves at every angle are doubtless a recognition on its part of this fondness of grazing animals for it. Few experiences of frontier life are more amusing than to watch the donkey's attack upon a large bull thistle. He walks about it, seeking for a favorable opening, projects his lip gingerly against its spines and jerks back as he feels its pricks He surveys it pensively for a moment or two and then slowly raises his foot and strikes it, pausing to watch the effect of the blow. He then perhaps strikes it from the other side and watches again. The blows become rapid, and at length it is broken down and thoroughly trampled, after which it is consumed to the last vestige.—Country Life In America.

A Homiletical Repeater.

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The Face.

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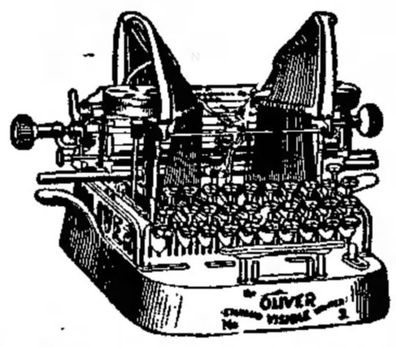

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WOOING CINDERELLA

By Ruth Sauteile

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Scarcely had Dudley forced his breathless way through the thicket into the little cleared space at the edge of the bluff when a young voice assailed him.

"I thought you would come before long. You are the prince, of course."

He wheeled with a start and stared. She sat on a low rock, looking straight at him out of smiling brown eyes. There was a general impression of brownness. It seemed to be a gown of some shimmery brown stuff—or was it gold?—and a kind of aureole of fluffy, light brown hair. How the deuce did a girl get up that cliff? About how nearly a puffing porpoise had he sounded, anyway? Pity a man couldn't keep track of his breath! He'd go into training on that hill till he could take it on the run without turning a hair—he would, by Jove! Must be something the matter with her eyes. He'd never seen—that is to say, they sort of—

"You said yes, didn't you?" she interrupted sweetly. "Surely you must be the prince."

"I beg your pardon," began Dudley, suddenly realizing that she had asked a question some minutes ago and that an answer was expected of him. "The prince, you say? I've never been accused before, you know." And then, in a flash of comprehension, "Most assuredly I am the prince—if you are the princess," he finished triumphantly.

The brown eyes twinkled into his more distractingly than before.

"Oh, not at all!" she laughed. "I'm only poor Cinderella."

"Cinderella?" questioned Dudley, looking the mystification he felt.

"Why, yes—you see"— She hesitated. And then a very wonderful thing happened. A line of rosiest pink appeared just above the brown collar and crept up stealthily, enveloping the tiny ear, flashing into flame on the white brow and biding at last in the light hair that blew about her face. Dudley, fascinated, watched its progress and forgave the intrusion.

"Of course it's very simple, only disgracefully stupid of me. And"—sitting up straight and suddenly becoming very brave—"I'm not in the least afraid to tell you."

Dudley mumbled suitable assurances, while the girl moved uneasily on her rocky throne and continued to look brave.

"I just—I only—the flower was way over the edge of the bluff, and—I held on to a branch and leaned down—and—my heel got wedged by a stone—and"—There was a tentative shifting of the shimmery skirts, then a hasty motion of withdrawal beneath them. "And I—I—lost the mate to that!" she finished, with desperate courage, thrusting into sight the other foot, incased in a stout little brown walking boot.

Two furious blushes were in full operation by this time.

Dudley gazed fixedly at the small trim boot. "You say the one you lost was just like this?" he questioned, with great solemnity.

"Oh, no; it belonged to the left foot you know," she responded, with corresponding earnestness

And then came the welcome relief of laughter, under the relaxing influence of which Dudley sank upon the edge of the rock.

"I only meant to suggest," he announced fervently, "my unbelief that there could be another like it in the world."

"Bravo, bravo!" she applauded gayly. "That is pretty enough to savor of much practice in such speaking."

Dudley's ardent expression was replaced by one of due submission to rebuke.

"It is meet," he said as his hand sought a capacious coat pocket and disappeared therein, "that the downtrodden should arise to do thee service. Perhaps I can aid you better than you know."

"I'm sure you can," she interposed hastily. "But let me tell my plan first. I couldn't let you go to find it and leave me helpless and alone again."

"Of course not." Dudley's face assumed a thoughtful expression, and his hand slowly left the big pocket. "I—a—hardly suppose you could borrow mine."

Again her bright laughter rang out. "Oh, flattery, where is thy sting?" she cried gaspingly. And Dudley, looking ruefully from his own generous boot to the adorable mateless one, realized that once more he'd "put his foot in it."

"Forgiven," she declared in a moment, "because of the pretty one you said first. And so, to go back to our muttons, I see only one way. And yet, of course, it's such a little distance—the camp's just back in the trees there—I could hop on one foot, I suppose."

She paused mischievously for the mere pleasure of regarding his look of frank disappointment; also to observe whether it occurred to him to wonder why, with friends so near, she had not called for help.

"But I should be sure," she relented, "to lose my balance and let the wrong foot down." Dudley brightened perceptibly. "And it's very stony and, I know, would hurt dreadfully. So after all there is just the one way, as I said."

She tilted the lonely boot back and forth on its heel and regarded it pensively. Dudley did likewise. When this had gone on long enough she raised to him an expectant look.

"Yes," he said, almost mournfully; "there only remains for me to help you. I suppose I ought," he continued, while his hand moved again ever so haltingly toward the pocket, then rapidly away from it, "to—to"—

"Oh, pray don't feel any obligation in the matter!" was the hint, with just a bit of ice in the tone.

"To avail myself of the most fortunate opportunity that ever befell an undeserving beggar!" he finished, laughing hilariously as he assisted her to her feet—that is to say, her foot.

Mere words cannot approximate the delight of that trip in the neighboring (much too neighboring) camp. They laughed like children and clutched each other in frantic mirth. And with what exceeding care and deliberateness it was necessary to proceed! The most inoffensive pebble was occasion for a wide detour, in spite of the lamentable fact that it increased the distance. And did the little unshod silken foot so much as caress the ground in its wabbling career Dudley was ready to weep in worshipful contrition. It was almost too much joy to discover in the course of the hysterical conversation that this was Tom Hutton's ranch—dear old Tom that he hadn't seen since the college days—and Cinderella his wife's guest.

But, as all pleasant moments come to an end, so must this, as Cinderella dropped, tired, but still merry, into a chair on the bungalow piazza.

"And then the prince," he said slowly, looking down upon her with compelling eyes, "caused his heralds—no; I think you know what the prince did without my telling you."

"Ah," she cried, her own eyes falling under his scrutiny, "but first you've to find the slipper."

"Yes, first I've to find the slipper. And when it is found I've the advantage of knowing where dwells Cinderella—and that the slipper will fit."

"Which last is yet to be proven!"—teasingly.

"May I put it to the test?" he begged.

"Oh, Faintheart!" she whispered mockingly. "Try and see."

Whereat Dudley began a most peculiar course of behavior. Going quickly around the corner of the cabin, he bumped his head softly several times against the logs, gave himself a violent shake and then strode through the trees to the low rock in the little cleared space at the edge of the bluff. Sitting down, he plunged an empty hand into the deep pocket and brought it out full of a stout brown walking boot of small dimensions.

To his credit be it said that there was self denunciation in his aspect as he sat turning it miserably over and over. Oh, yes; of course he'd had it there all the while. Well, hadn't he tried to let her have it at the very first, and didn't she keep interrupting till he couldn't—that is to say, didn't want to? Suppose he was the biggest cad on record, he'd wager no fellow ever had a better excuse! Hang it! What did she have to look at him that way for? How could he deliberately hand the thing over and put an end to the happiest few moments he'd ever spent, or ever expected to spend, for that matter? For surely by this foolishness he'd dished any prospects of further acquaintance about as effectively as possible. Well, anyhow, this was torture; might as well have the confession over with and go off and shoot himself.

In three minutes he was back The trial trip had taken twenty to navigate. She was waiting and still alone. Oh, yes; rub it in! She might have cared if he hadn't spoiled it all.

"Most eager knight!" she called in greeting. "Was it wings? Nothing else could have taken you down the ravine and up again in this time."

For answer he knelt without a word and put the fateful shoe in place with elaborate care. He would have that privilege before he forfeited her favor forever. Then—

"I found it in the ravine before I climbed up at all," he said abruptly. "It was in my pocket all the while. Now send me away, for I can't go unless you do."

But Cinderella leaned forward to take his remorseful face between two butterfly hands.

"Oh, boy, boy," she cried softly; "most innocent of boys! Did you think I didn't know? I saw you pick it up down below—no, you shall have all the truth; it fell—I let it fall because I saw you!"

Just then Tom Hutton, coming around the corner of the house, decided he could quite as well postpone his errand.

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Mind How You Laugh.

Isn't it a curious thing that laughing may spoil your features? If you laugh with the sides of your face the skin will work loose in time and wrinkles will form in exact accordance with the kind of laugh you have. A person who is accustomed to suppressing his feelings generally has a deep line running from each side of his nose to the upper corner of his mouth, which in time extends to the chin, forming the shape of a half moon. The scholar's wrinkle forms on his brow, while a schemer's wrinkles come around his eyes. The man who always wears a smirk will have a series of semicircular wrinkles covering his cheeks.

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Farm vs. Town Kickers.

An exchange says: "The kickers on the farm are not as hard to get along with as the kickers in the towns. On the farm there is the kicking cow and our long-eared friend, the mule, while in town there is the old moss-back who wants all the privileges of municipal living without paying for them, and blocks so far as he can every municipal improvement. The cow may be sold for beef and the mule traded for a shot gun, but nothing but a funeral will get rid of the town kicker.

The Call For Men.

San Francisco contractors are crying for men. The emergency has developed a demand for labor that must be met if reconstruction is to go on.

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LAUGHTER.

Even If It Be Emotional Insanity, Let Us Have Plenty of It.

Some English scientist has reached the conclusion that laughter is insanity. He regards a fit of laughter as an emotional insanity of short duration. All right, then, give us a little more insanity. There is not laughter enough in the world—at least the right kind of laughter. We will let the Englishmen keep their faces straight if they want to, but it befits the American civilization better to break out into laughter once in awhile. Laughter is good for the facial muscles It develops the muscles of the neck as well as the face. It makes the corners of the mouth turn upward instead of downward. It gives the wrinkles of the face a pleasing outline, quickens the action of the heart and gives new life to the nerve centers. Yes, we can afford to let the Englishman look wise and idiotic if he wants to. He can stare with fish eyed bigotry whenever a joke is perpetrated, never allowing a ripple of merriment to disturb the placidity of his countenance. He can do all these things that he wishes to, but let us go on laughing. This kind of insanity mixes very well with sanity and prosaic life. A little burst of emotional insanity breaks nicely the monotony of facts and figures.—Medical Talk.

BANKS IN A FIRE CITY

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Experience of a Chicago Financial House in 1871—Greed of Depositors and How It Showed Itself—An Unexpected Proposition.

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The struggle that ensues to obtain all the cash in sight is full of human interest It has its picturesque features. On Monday, Oct 10, 1871, when all Chicago trudged downtown to see what was left of the city, great crowds besieged the banks. Some men were crying, others talked incoherently, and everybody seemed half dazed. An officer of one of Chicago's greatest banks, who fought his way through the smoldering embers to the white marble hall which surrounded his vault, gave the following description of what occurred.

"Although the iron door of the vault had been somewhat expanded by heat, I found that the combination worked perfectly. That reassured me, and after hunting about the debris I fished out one or two iron crowbars and by wedging them in finally opened the vault door. The inclosure smelled smoky, but I soon found that the cash was all right, and so were our books. That made me feel good, and I got down to work in short order. The first thing I did was to look at the balance sheet and see what our exact resources were. A glance showed me that by collecting what was due from out of town creditors the bank could pay everything it owed and declare a 10 per cent dividend besides, even if it lost every dollar due from its Chicago clients. That was all I wanted to know.

"On leaving the vault I saw four men waiting for me in what had been the cashier's office. They were among our largest depositors, and I knew well enough what they wanted They were of very different types—one a shrewd money lender who had $30,000 to his credit on our books, another was a school treasurer in an outlying district who would have been ruined had we not been able to pay him $25,000, a third was an out of town banker with $150,000 to the credit of his institution in our bank, and the fourth was a man who has since become one of Chicago's greatest capitalists and who had always professed his sincere friendship for me. It was a trying ordeal and one calculated to make each of my visitors show the real stuff that was in him. As events proved, this did not take long

"The little money lender grabbed me first. With a strange little wink he forced me one side and said in a half whisper, 'Do you know how much I have in your bank?'

"I said, 'Yes, about $30,000'

"'Well, I will give you $6,000 if you will give me the cash right away.'

"'I won't do that,' said I 'Your money is all right, but you will have to wait a week for it until we get in shape again.'

"'What,' he fairly gasped, 'do you decline $6,000? That is a good deal of money in a city that has gone to destruction.'

"I answered no, that I would not, and told him in plain English what I thought of him I said, 'I am not knave enough to take your bribe and give you an unfair advantage over the other depositors, and I am not fool enough to do it, because I know as soon as you discover the bank paid its claims within a week you would sue me for the $6,000. Get out of here right away.'"

"That was the last of him He took his money when the week was out and kept clear of the bank after that Then the school treasurer came to me with a straightforward story of how his bondsmen were anxious to know how he stood When I told him that his money was safe and that he would not lose a cent he burst into tears, saying the news was too good to be true The out of town banker was also very nice, saying that he did not care to withdraw his money so long as he knew it was safe Then the man who has since grown enormously wealthy accosted me with the remark that he had come down to see how things stood. That gave me a chance to test him, so I said brusquely:

"'You know how things are as well as I do Can't you see the position we are in?' 'Oh, yes, yes,' he answered hastily. 'I don't care about the fire. We are all in the same fix. But I want to know how you stand personally Have you plenty of ready cash? You cannot get credit these days, so if you need anything from the grocer's you want hard cash I brought you a little'—

"With that the man threw open his coat, dived down into his pocket and dragged out a roll of bills as big as his hands could grasp. Then he straightened them out and divided them into equal piles, retaining one himself and handing me the other. He was dreadfully in earnest, but I told him I could not accept the money and that I thought I could manage without it. He assured me that whatever he had would always be at my disposal. That man has always been one of my best friends."—New York Post.

His Compliment.

"What a lovely morning" he said.

"It is a perfect morning," she replied.

"True," he said. "I haven't seen anything this morning that isn't perfect" And he looked her straight in the face. Then she blushed.

The Man In the Cellar

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My uncle, Joseph Warner, was a farmer living five miles from the village of Scottsville, and he and my Aunt Martha were without children.

One day in September I was sent up to Uncle Joe's on an errand and told that I might stay all night. I was then close to fourteen years old. I helped my aunt attend to the live stock. As we were milking the last cow in the barnyard after sundown we saw a strange man pass along the highway to the house, but gave him no particular attention.

It turned colder and began to rain soon after dark, and our supper was also an hour late. It was between 8 and 9 o'clock, and I had helped Aunt Martha to wash up the dishes, when she sent me down cellar to bring up a piece of meat wanted for breakfast. I took a candle to light my way, and I had to cross the cellar to where four barrels stood in a row She had said the second barrel from the right. As I passed the first barrel I heard a movement inside it I wonder why I did not turn and flee, as the sounds brought my heart into my mouth, but I passed the barrel, got the meat and even managed to whistle on my way upstairs. When I had shut the door, however, the sight of my white face made the woman exclaim:

"For the land's sake, but the boy has seen a ghost!"

"No, I haven't," I answered, "but I can tell you that there is a man in one of the barrels down there."

"What nonsense! You heard rats."

I repeated my assertion and reminded her of the strange man we had seen when talking. She mused a minute and then said:

"You may be right. I am going down to see. If there is a man down there I'll discover him, but he shan't suspect I have."

She took the candle from my hand and went down, humming the air of a song to herself, and as she came back upstairs she was talking about the meat and saying that Uncle Joe must get a rat trap. When the door had been closed she sat down to the table and said

"Jimmy, you were right about the man. He is hidden in that first barrel Now, then, we want to think what we shall do."

It was raining cats and dogs and a dark night It was half a mile to the nearest neighbor's, and we felt that the man must be something worse than a tramp to have hidden himself away. There were three cellar windows, but over them had been tacked strong wire netting The man must have entered the house and gone down cellar

"I'll tell you what the miserable skunk is after," said my aunt after awhile. "Uncle Joe will bring home $100 when he comes, and this fellow is after it. He'll keep in hiding until your uncle comes and gets to bed and asleep, and then he'll rob the house—that is, he thinks he will, but I'll show him what's what in the next fifteen minutes."

"But what can we do?" I asked as my knees knocked together

"Well, your Uncle Joe would have to shut up like a jackknife to crowd himself into a pork barrel. His legs would be all doubled up, and he wouldn't have much use of his arms

"There's a cover for that barrel right behind the stairs as we go down. If it was clapped on to the barrel, don't you think we could hold it there in spite of all the man could do?"

"But he may jump out of the barrel before we can put the cover on"

"Don't be a coward, Jimmy You are coming right downstairs with me. We'll talk about rats as we move around You'll carry the candle, and I'll get the cover and clap it on. If I'm not strong enough to keep it there you must help me."

"I—I—I"— I began, but she caught me by the hair and sternly said

"Jimmy, if you don't help me I'll give you the awfulest licking a boy ever got and then tell everybody that you haven't got as much spunk as a spring chicken."

I was mightily afraid of the man in the cellar, but I was more afraid of my aunt Had she tried argument or coaxing I should have funked She put the candle into my hand and opened the stair door and began to talk about rats and what damage they could do about a house. I believe the man had got out of the barrel to stretch himself, but, hearing us coming, had sought his retreat again. Without letting up on her talk at all Aunt Mary picked up the cover, and I saw her face grow white as we started for the barrel When nearing it she made a sudden jump and clapped on the cover and seated herself upon it There was a series of muffled yells from the man inside, and for the first ten minutes he made such a struggle that I had to help against him. Then he grew quiet, and we had no more trouble with him

For two long hours we kept guard over him, and it was fortunate for the fellow that Uncle Joe was no later When uncle arrived and we called him from the foot of the cellar stairs and he came down and upset the barrel and poured the man out our prisoner was so near dead of suffocation that he did not come to for an hour

Next morning a constable took him off to jail, and we learned that he was not only a desperate criminal with a reward of $500 on his head, but had escaped from state's prison a week before.

The reward was paid to Aunt Martha and I got a share of it, and the good woman never told a soul how I was in mortal terror and would have shown the white feather if she hadn't grabbed me by the hair and banged my head against the wall

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